

Holt County Sentinel.

Oregon, Missouri.

FRIDAY MORNING, MAR. 15, 1867.

We have had colder weather during the past week than at any time previous this winter. The mercury on last Wednesday morning stood ten degrees below zero.

A New York dispatch, says: Mr. Stephens is ascertained to be still residing in Brooklyn, and having nothing to do with the struggle in Ireland.

The well known firm of Ticknor & Fields, Boston, is now publishing a full and complete set of Dickens' works, called the "Diamond" edition. It is handsomely printed and bound.

Sen. Winters' Constitutional Amendment, striking out the word "white," as a suffrage qualification, passed the House on the 7th by a vote 74 to 46. It passed the Senate, as published, some days ago, by a vote of 19 to 7.

CHARLES F. BROWSE, better known as ARTEMUS WARD, died at Southampton on the 6th. In his will he directed that his property, after the death of his mother, go towards the erection of an asylum for printers.

The Charter of the city of St. Joseph has been amended by the Legislature so as to require the elections of city officers yearly. An election will therefore be held on Tuesday the 2d of April, for this purpose.

The great problem, Reconstruction, has at last been solved. The bill, as passed, may be found on the first page. The prospect is, judging from the tone of the press, that the South will accept it, as it is probably the best they can do, even with the aid of their champion, Andrew Veto.

The gathering of ex-rebel generals, not long since, at Frankfort, Kentucky, is ascertained to have been a convention of the Democratic party. A platform of principles, of twenty-two planks, has been published, as the result of their deliberations.

The report of the House Committee on Retrenchment, in the Missouri Legislature, affords to the tax-payers of the State material for their serious contemplation. With the State at present laboring under a debt of about thirty millions of dollars, on which amount it has not been able to pay even the annual interest, it behooves us, for the sake of our honor, future prosperity, and credit (if we have any), to insist that our legislators institute measures of retrenchment. Shall we not hope that by next session at least, the two Houses will be sufficiently organized to move in this matter?

Agricultural and Mechanical Society. There is no reason why Holt county should not have an Agricultural and Mechanical Society. Different persons with whom we have talked, have expressed their belief that the scheme was not only practicable, but offered such good results to our interests, individually and as a community, as would make it in the end profitable, and entertained a hope that it would be set on foot at an early day.

May we not have the organization of a society in time for a fair next fall? The opening fair need not be on a gigantic scale. A respectable fair can be held, the first year, with not more than a thousand dollars offered in premiums, and the stockholders need make no further investment than the purchase, or lease, and preparation of the ground. The fair will pay its own expenses.

The Statutes of Missouri provide fully for the incorporation of such societies by the County Court, upon the application, by petition, of fifty free holders of the State, a majority residing in the county. The law also permits the Court to give, for the purpose of premiums, annually, an appropriation of one hundred and fifty dollars.

We publish, on the fourth page of this paper, an excellent article on this subject, which, in connection with chapter 60, of Revised Statutes, is earnestly commended to the attention of the citizens of the county, of town and country, who are favorably disposed towards and have the means to push forward such an enterprise.

LEGISLATIVE.

HOUSE—MORNING SESSION.

MONDAY, March 4, 1867.—Senate concurrent resolution adjourning the two Houses of the General Assembly on the 13th of March, 1867, to meet on the first Tuesday of January, 1868, was taken up.

Mr. Wolbrecht moved the postponement of the consideration of the resolution to Saturday next at 2 o'clock p. m.

On motion of Mr. Whittaker the motion to postpone was tabled.

Mr. Bazick moved to lay the resolution on the table.

Motion withdrawn.

The resolution was adopted.

The special order, being the Senate bill aiding the Atchison and St. Joseph and the Western and Atchison Railroads, was taken up.

The Speaker, Hon. A. J. Harlan, resumed his argument, which was pending at the time of adjournment on Saturday evening. That gentleman yielded the floor for the introduction of a resolution by Mr. Jewett, instructing the Clerk to inform the Senate that the House is ready to proceed to the trial of Judge Moody.

Hon. A. J. Harlan, resumed his argument on the Senate bill under discussion at the time of the meeting of the joint assembly, pending which argument the House adjourned.

HOUSE—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Hon. A. J. Harlan, resumed and concluded his argument on the Senate bill, aiding the Atchison and St. Joseph, &c., railroads.

Mr. Buzick offered an amendment to the bill, which was agreed to, adding to the fourth section thereof, the following: And provided further, that a failure of said company to complete said railroad to the points designated shall work a forfeiture of the credits herein specified, and the said company shall be liable and shall pay the whole State indebtedness provided in the act of February, 1865, mentioned in the first section of this bill.

Mr. Harper offered an amendment, which was agreed to, striking out all after the word "operation" in the eleventh line to the words in the fifteenth line and "thereafter."

Mr. Thompson offered an amendment to the bill by inserting after the figures "1869" in the tenth line of the third section the following: Providing that the work north of St. Joseph and South of Weston shall proceed simultaneously and when five miles shall be completed north of St. Joseph, five miles shall be completed south of Weston until the road is completed to the Missouri river opposite to the city of Kansas, and the same credits shall be allowed as above St. Joseph and Savannah unless the North Missouri Railroad Company, within ninety days from the passage of this bill, decide by a resolution of its Board of Directors to extend its west branch to a point opposite the city of Kansas, and in the event of such decision by the said Board the Atchison and St. Joseph and the Western and Atchison Railroad Companies shall not be compelled to build or construct such road south of Weston as aforesaid.

On motion of Mr. Holt, the amendment was tabled.

Mr. Beal offered an amendment to the bill by adding a new section providing that in consideration of the aid given to the railroads mentioned in the bill, such railroads shall pay into the State Treasury four per cent. of their annual gross earnings.

No action was taken on the amendment.

HOUSE—MORNING SESSION.

TUESDAY, March 5.—Mr. Mullins of Linn, took up the consideration of the Senate bill aiding certain railroads, and addressed the House in an able and pointed speech against the bill.

HOUSE—MORNING SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, March 6.—The House met pursuant to adjournment, at 9 o'clock a. m.

The consideration of the Senate bill aiding certain railroads was resumed, Mr. Mullins of Linn, taking the floor.

Mr. Beal withdrew the amendment offered by him two days ago, and submitted another, providing that as a further consideration for the benefit conferred on such railroads, they shall pay semi-annually, on the first days of July and January of each year, four per cent. of the gross earnings of said roads, for the six preceding months, into the State Treasury, until the principal and interest of the debt becomes extinguished.

Mr. Jewett spoke in favor of the bill, as did, also, Mr. Beal.

Mr. Monks denounced the bill.

Mr. Griffin offered an amendment providing that the credits allowed in the bill shall not be allowed as payment of any part of the debt to be paid by the four per cent. of the gross earnings, and the non-payment of the four per cent. shall entitle the State to sell the road under the State lien.

Mr. McGinnis offered a substitute, striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting the following:

That further payments due to the State of Missouri for the sale of the Atchison and St. Joseph Railroad, the Southwest Pacific Railroad, and the

Iron Mountain Railroad, from the purchases of said roads or from their assigns and successors, be suspended on the following conditions, viz: That the said purchasers, their assigns and successors, shall pay into the Treasury of the State the sum of four per cent. upon the gross earnings for each year of each of the several roads hereinbefore mentioned. At the time of payment of said sums the President of each railroad shall make a statement in writing, under oath, exhibiting the amount of said earnings for the preceding calendar year, said payments to be made on the first day of February of each year, until the whole sum of the present indebtedness of each road now due or hereafter to become due to the State has been fully paid.

This act shall apply to each company as soon as it has, by a vote of its Board of Directors, accepted the provisions of this act, and filed a copy of said acceptance, duly certified by the President and secretary of the Board, in the office of the Secretary of State.

The General Assembly may pass such further laws for the purpose of enforcing a just collection of the four per cent. on the gross earnings, as it may deem necessary and proper.

Mr. McMurry offered an amendment to the resolution of Mr. McGinnis, providing that the last mentioned road run in a southern direction, so as to go west of the Indiana ford, on the St. Francis river, at which point it can bear east to Belmont, or any point on the Mississippi river south of Belmont, in compliance with the terms of the law, under which said St. Louis & Iron Mountain railroad was sold.

Mr. Griffin withdrew his amendment.

Mr. Finkenburg offered an amendment that as a further consideration for the benefit conferred on the said railroads, they shall pay semi-annually, on the first of July and January, of each year, four per cent. of the gross earnings of said roads, for the six preceding months, into the State Treasury, until an amount equal to the principal and interest of the debt owing to the State by such roads, shall be paid.

Mr. Beal accepted the amendment.

The amendment of Mr. Beal was agreed to.

Mr. McGinnis accepted the amendment to his substitute, offered by Mr. McMurry and offered an amendment to the substitute himself, by striking out the words "of the present indebtedness" and inserting the words "of the entire original indebtedness."

Mr. McGinnis moved to have the substitute, with the amendments thereto printed for the consideration of the House. Motion rejected.

On motion of Mr. Hickman, the substitute and the amendments to it were tabled.

Under the operation of the previous question the bill was rejected—ayes, 55; noes, 66.

Adjourned.

HOUSE—MORNING SESSION.

THURSDAY, March 7, 1867.—On motion of Mr. Buzick the special order, being the Senate bill changing the name of the Atchison & St. Joseph Railroad Company, to the Missouri Valley Railroad Company, was taken up.

The bill also provides for the consolidation of that road with the Weston & Atchison Railroad, and for other purposes.

Mr. Jones offered an amendment, inserting after the word "Company," in the first line of section 4, the following:

And said company shall, by the 4th of July, 1869, complete and put in operation from Savannah up to the valley of the One Hundred and Two River, thirty miles of railroad.

The amendment was rejected.

The bill was read a third time and passed.

HOUSE—MORNING SESSION.

FRIDAY, March 8, 1867.—Mr. Dallmeyer, from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported favorably Senate bill in relation to the appointment of a Commissioner to the Paris Exposition, with an amendment, requiring the said commissioner in conjunction with Gen. Dix, Minister at Paris, present to the most prominent scientific institution at Paris, all the vegetable, agricultural, and mineral specimens of the resources of the State.

The amendment reported by the committee were agreed to.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Mr. Griffin, of Chariton, offered a resolution that when the House adjourns it adjourn till 7 1-2 this evening and that the special order for that hour be the consideration of the various amendments to the school law.

Adopted.

Mr. Colman obtained the floor and spent a half hour in continuing the discussion of the qualifications of Mr. Butler for Commissioner to Paris.

Mr. Buzick, of Holt, replied in a brief but eloquent speech in which he regretted the unkind tone which characterized the remarks of gentlemen opposed to the nomination of Mr. Butler, and paid a very handsome tribute to industry and enterprise in the humbler departments of trade. He said that he deprecated the ungenerous slings at

Mr. Butler's calling as a butter dealer, and thought that the gentleman's means of earning an honest and independent livelihood should not be interpreted as a disqualification for the honorable position of Representative at the World's great Exposition.

Mr. Branscomb moved the indefinite postponement of the bill with its amendments.

The eyes and noses were called for, and

The resolution was adopted by a vote of 69 to 46.

Adjourned.

NIGHT SESSION.

Before calling up the special order, Mr. Buzick moved a reconsideration of the Platte Country Railroad bill.

Mr. Harper opposed a reconsideration in a short speech. A motion to lay on the table was lost by a vote of 48 to 48.

The motion to reconsider the bill was then postponed till to-morrow.

HOUSE—AFTERNOON SESSION.

SATURDAY, March 9th, 1867.—Mr. Buzick moved a reconsideration by which Senate bill No. 83, known as the Platte Country Railroad bill, was rejected on Thursday.

Mr. Howe spoke against the propriety of a reconsideration.

Mr. Buzick replied in some rather caustic observation, having a personal application, and was called to order by Mr. Howe.

A motion to lay upon the table the motion to reconsider,

Was lost.

The main question was put and the motion to reconsider

Was carried.

Mr. McBride moved the reference of the bill to the Committee on Judiciary, believing that the bill involved a number of knotty legal questions.

Mr. Mullins, of Linn, seconded the motion so to refer the bill, but

The motion was not sustained.

Mr. Buzick contending that the session was drawing to a close, and that the House was competent in its general capacity to decide upon the merits of the bill.

On motion of Mr. Branscombe, the bill was made the special order for Monday, p. m., at 2 o'clock.

NIGHT SESSION.

Mr. Bonham's Senate bill, appropriating to the school fund of the State \$1,500,000 from the military fund received from the United States, was called up and passed.

The bill provides that this new school fund shall be invested in United States stock, the interest to go annually to the support of the common schools pro rata by apportionment to several counties under direction of the State Superintendent of public instruction.

The Daily State Times, of the 8th inst., says:

The Hon. C. B. Wilkinson, of St. Joseph, delivered a masterly speech on universal suffrage in the House on Wednesday night, which was listened to with the closest attention, by every member of the House and the crowded galleries, and was frequently applauded.

Mr. Wilkinson has been classified with the conservatives, but like the other real political thinkers of the day, he sees the true results of the overthrow of slavery to be the assertion of the equal rights of all men. The speech will appear in the Times to-morrow, and we invite our Radical friends who are timid on this question to read it and blush for their own timidity.

The citizens of Johnson county have organized a vigilance committee for the purpose of cleaning the country of a gang of desperadoes which have long infested it. Several villainous characters have been executed, and others take a hurried departure. The immediate cause of this step was the recent murder of Mr. Switzer in his own house.

Vigilance committees are things to be avoided if possible, but there are contingencies when they appear to be indispensable. The continued failure to convict any of these desperadoes by regular process of law, has driven the law-abiding people to take the law into their own hands for self-protection. It is to be hoped no harm will come of it. —[State Times.]

The new Congress has fully organized, with radical men in all the positions. Wade, President pro tem, of the Senate, and Forney as Secretary. Speaker Colfax has been re-elected. McPherson is also re-elected Clerk. The organization indicates that the Union is to be preserved on the basis of universal freedom.

A Chicago landlord has invented a new plan for boarding. He mesmerizes his boarders, then eats a hearty meal and they are all satisfied from sympathy.

We shall soon be enabled to import with profit, flour from California. We perceive that it is quoted in the San Francisco market at \$6.25 per barrel.

The following piece of spite, from a conservative paper, is amusing. It is, of course, an invention:

"TUCK" HIS SEAT.—A young man in Ralls county, named Buckley, has managed to get into the Missouri Legislature, through some queer kind of work only known to Radicals. We understand that the first remark made by the young legislator on entering the capitol, after seeing the carpets on the floor, was, "Look here, if you don't take that kiverlid away, I'll tramp on it!" We don't know how true it is.—[Hannibal Republic.]

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goods.

Court Notice.

William R. Vining, Martha G. Vining, plain-

tiffs,

against

Isaac L. Way, Nancy B. Way, Isaac N. Welch,

Callista A. Welch, Benedict Acton, Orilla Ac-

ton, Obadiah R. May, Bradford W. May, heirs

of Hiram May being, Henry, Martha, and one

name unknown to petitioners, heirs of Edwin

Edwin F. May and the wife of same, names

unknown heirs of Walter May, Lucinda, Lucinda,

Gabriel, Mary, Lewis, Daniel, and Clara,

defendants.

PETITION FOR PARTITION.

NOW at this 27th day of February, comes the

plaintiffs in the above entitled cause, by

their attorney, before the undersigned clerk of

the Circuit Court of Holt county in vacation, and

files his petition and affidavit, stating among

other things that a part of the above named de-

fendants are nonresidents of this State, viz: Benedict

Acton, Orilla Acton, Obadiah R. May, Bradford

W. May, heirs of Hiram May, being Henry, Mar-

tha, and one name unknown to petitioners, heirs

of Edwin F. May and the wife of same, names

unknown heirs of Walter May, Lucinda, Lucinda,

Gabriel, Mary, Lewis, Daniel, and Clara, de-

fendants. It is therefore ordered by the clerk aforesaid, in vacation,

that publication be made notifying them that

an action has been commenced against them by

petition in the Circuit Court of Holt county, in

the State of Missouri; the object and general

nature of which is to have partition made of

the following described real estate, amongst the

above named plaintiffs and defendants as aforesaid:

The southeast 1/4 of the southeast 1/4 of

section number 16, in township 30, of range 37,

and the west 1/4 of the northeast 1/4 of the north-

east 1/4 of section no. 22, in township no. 30, of

range no. 37; also five acres in the southeast

corner of the southwest 1/4 of section number 16,

in township number 30, of range number 37,

containing in the aggregate sixty-five acres, all

lying and being in Holt county, Missouri, and

that unless they be and appear at the next term

of said court, to be held at the Court house